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MINISTRY OF STEEL & HEAVY INDUSTRIES (Department of Iron & Steel)

RESOLUTION

SCRAP COMMITTEE

New Delhi, the 27th August 1962

No. SC(B)-20(2)/62.—The Government of India in their Resolution No. SC(B)-24(7)/60, dated the 29th April, 1961 constituted a Scrap Committee. After examining the various problems connected with Iron & Steel Scrap listed in the terms of reference, the Committee has submitted its report.

2. The main recommendations of the Scrap Committee are as follows:—

- (i) There should be an over-all quota for exports of scrap. Export of heavy melting scrap and No. 1 sheet cuttings including main producers' skull scrap should be completely banned. Export of other types of scrap, like 2, 2A and 3 class of sheet cuttings and high silicon sheet cuttings should be freely permitted upto the overall ceiling. Export of turnings and borings should be permitted only at the discretion of the Iron & Steel Controller. So far as electric furnace skull scrap is concerned, there should be no ban on exports until the producers and furnace owners in this country are in a position to utilise this scrap.
- (ii) The present policy of no control on cast iron scrap, except for the stipulation that cast iron cuttings should first be offered to foundry Associations and then allowed for export if refused by them, should continue.
- (iii) The restriction on the export of stainless steel scrap may be lifted since such scrap cannot, at present, be utilised in the country.
- (iv) Imports of only certain categories of industrial and re-rollable scrap may be permitted at the discretion of the Iron & Steel Controller, Calcutta.
- (v) Price and distribution control on melting scrap should be removed altogether, while the control on industrial and re-rollable scrap should continue. The price control over all varieties of cast iron scrap should also be abolished.
- (vi) The present price and distribution controls for ingot moulds should continue.
- (vii) The freight rate of scrap should be re-examined so as to encourage collection.
- (viii) Since there will be a surplus rolling capacity in 1965-66 no new re-rolling Mills should be set up.
- (ix) Immediate expansion of electric furnace capacity upto the limit set by Scrap availability should be considered. The furnaces should be distributed regionally taking into account the economic size of ten ton capacity following the method of continuous casting of billets.

3. Government, after careful consideration, have decided to accept recommendations (i), (ii), (iv), (vi), (vii), (viii) and (ix) above.

4. As regards recommendation (iii), Government propose to further examine the quantum of utilisation of stainless steel scrap in the country, in consultation with the Technical Consultants to this Ministry.

5. As regards recommendation (v) it has been decided that price and distribution control on all categories of scrap, other than fresh unused defectives detailed in Part IA of the Scrap Schedule, re-rollable scrap (Part II of the Scrap Schedule) and Ingot Moulds in all forms, should be removed.

ORDER

Ordered that a copy of this Resolution be communicated to all concerned and that it be published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary.

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